II. *Part of a Letter from Mr* Ralph Thoresby, *F. R. S. concerning a large Ball voided by Stool.*

IN my laſt I promiſed you an account of a Ball lately voided by Madam *C — ly*, after ſo ſevere Pains that her Life was in danger, but ſhe is not willing to have it cut, and the bulk of it is much ſhort of what I can now give you an an account of from another hand; but this may ſerve as a further inſtance of the danger of ſwallowing the Stones of Fruit, for immediately after, ſhe voided ſeveral Plumb Stones, tho ſhe had not of 12 months before, eaten any of that Fruit. Captain *Weſt*, who gave me the favour of a Viſit, told me, he had once ſeen 2 larger Stones voided by a Neighbour, than any of thoſe 3 formerly mentioned: He has ſince procur'd them for me, and the leſſer of them is ſomewhat larger than the biggeſt of the other, but the other is ſurprizingly great; the form of it is not much unlike the *Echinus* Shell or *Helmet* Stone, flat on one ſide and roundiſh on the other; 'tis above 6 inches one way, and 7 the other, in Circumference. Mr *H. Hodgkinſon* (who is, I preſume, the Doctor or Surgeon concerned) ſent this relation along with them, "That "they were taken from *William Coldell* of *Green*, *May* "the 10th, *Anno Dom.* 1693. They weighed 9 Ounces "when firſt evacuated, and were removed by Dyet Drink "with an Alkaly Powder, and a Magiſtral Stomach-"Plaiſter; that the Perſon dyed 7 years after of one too "large to be evacuated; for upon the griping of it, be-"twixt the Hypocondrias and Share-Bone, it felt to be "as large as a Gooſe Egg.

III.